



NCTAMS PAC

The Voice



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THE CAPTAIN'S VOICE

Aloha NCTAMS PAC Family and Friends -

I trust you and your family had a safe, relaxing and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend and I'm happy to report everyone returned back to work safe, sound and re-charged for continued critical mission support to Pacific Fleet naval forces.

In our first newsletter, I provided a brief overview of NCTAMS PAC, our mission, our people and our location. This month, I thought it appropriate to share a bit of history of one of our Navy's oldest commands:

NCTAMS PAC, Hawaii

The U.S. Naval Radio Station in the Pearl Harbor area, the first government station in the islands, began operations on October 1, 1906. On March 3, 1915, Congress passed an Appropriations Act that authorized \$400,000 for the construction of a high-powered, long distance radio station at Pearl Harbor. In 1916, this new station, NPM, began operations at Hospital Point, Pearl Harbor. At 0230 on the morning of September 20, 1916, Captain Clark, the first Commandant of the 14th Naval District, sent the following message from the NPM to the Naval Radio Station, Long Beach, California:



"SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, WASHINGTON, D.C. I HAVE THE HONOR TO SEND YOU THE FIRST THROUGH MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON, D.C., FROM PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII RADIO STATION, AND CAN REPORT SATISFACTORY PROGRESS OF THE PLANT. GEORGE R. CLARK SENDS."

During the years following World War I, the naval activities in the Pearl Harbor area continued to expand. In 1933, a tract of land at Lualualei was set aside by the territory of Hawaii for use by the U.S. Navy. Seven self-supporting steel towers were erected to a height of 610 feet at this new site for an antenna system for long wave radio transmitting. The site was officially activated in 1936, and by 1941 twelve transmitters were in operation. With the arrival of the major United States Pacific Fleet units at Pearl Harbor in 1939, it became increasingly clear that a new receiver and control station was needed. Therefore, a secluded spot at Wahiawa, some 20 miles north of Pearl Harbor, was chosen and purchased by the Navy for approximately one million dollars. Construction began on the 697.2 acres of land in 1940.

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The Captain couldn't resist having his photo taken with the beautiful Cheerleaders.

THREE CHEERS FOR THE CHEERLEADERS

On May 22nd, the Tampa Bay Buccaneer Cheerleaders visited NCTAMS PAC. Sailors filled the pavilion and had an opportunity to get posters, calendars and autographs from the ladies. There was volleyball, food and lots of photo ops. This was the

last stop in Hawaii for the Cheerleaders Tour set up by the MWR and the USO. It was great fun, and we give a resounding thanks to those Buccaneers who came to meet and greet our terrific sailors.

HISTORY OF NCTAMS PAC CONT.

On December 7, 1941, a few minutes before 0800, several squadrons of Japanese aircraft passed over the Lualualei Transmitter Site on their way to bomb Pearl Harbor. As the planes passed over the major Naval Radio Stations they were strafed, but the casualties among the communications personnel were light. However, the radio stations themselves proved highly vulnerable to attack. So, on the morning of December 10, it was decided to have all communications equipment moved to the new site at Wahiawa. This new site was an excellent receiving area and the best-protected radio station on the island. Men worked day and night to transfer operations to Wahiawa and on December 17 the relocation was completed without the slightest interruption in communications service. This location became known as the Naval Radio Station, Wahiawa.



NCTAMS 1945

On February 18, 1977, the Commanding Officer at what was by then known as NAVCAMS EASTPAC officially dedicated the new Super High Frequency (SHF) Satellite Facility at Wahiawa, the largest such facility of its kind in the world.

And finally, the command was again renamed on October 20, 1997. The new name, Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station, Pacific, (NCTAMS PAC) better reflected the command's regional operating area.

And that brings us to 2007; and what a year we're having thus far! NCTAMS PAC recently received word that we are once again proud recipients of the Fleet Forces Command Retention Honor Roll Award for the second quarter of FY 2007; the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society Fund Drive concluded and we raised more than \$13,000.00; on the 20th of April, after a base-wide Spring Clean-up we enjoyed a traditional cookout and softball game where the Chief Petty Officers provided expert leadership over the First Class Petty Officers! Unfortunately we had an alcohol related driving incident in April but we shouldn't overlook the fact that NCTAMS PAC achieved 225 days w/out a Driving under the Influence (DUI) incident. For our second 100 day DUI-Free milestone we enjoyed a 24-hour liberty on Friday, 13 April.

As always, I'm very proud of our Sailors, Civilian employees and our families. I thank you for your continuing support of your Sailor and encourage you to consider volunteering to be a member of our newly formed Family Readiness group. Until next time

Best Regards,

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NCTAMS 2007

HELP NEEDED !!!

As some of you know, Captain Jim Donovan will be retiring in August. Next month will be the final newsletter where we "hear" his Voice, and read his informative reports. In his

honor I would like to make the next newsletter a special one and I need your help. Please email your comments about or to, the Captain at nctamsombud@msn.com.

Still receiving the newsletter in the mail? Email your email address to nctamsombud@msn.com and have it delivered to your email address instead. You'll be sure to receive the newsletter in a more timely manner and see it in color!

WELCOME HOME

IT1 Carrie Tudor

ET1 Christopher Combs

IT2 Amanda Dawson

LTJG Tracey Rhone

ITCM Paul Hileman

IA RESOURCES

To get a copy of **IA Sailor and IA Family handbook**, go to www.nffsp.org, click on Individual Augmentees. You can also find many other IA links on this site.



Free Post-Deployment DVD can be found at www.triwest.com, through the behavioral Health Portal.

MESSAGES FROM ABROAD

Dad,

Hope you have a very
Happy Birthday and a
Happy Father's Day!!

Love ,

IT3 Amber Beets

D'Ondre,

Happy Birthday D'Ondre.
Hope you have lots of fun. I
miss you.

Love,

Dad

ITC James Stockman

Send a message to
a family member,
just email the
Ombudsman at
nclamsombud@msn.com. It will be
posted in the next
newsletter.

TRICARE Prime On The GO



Please cut this out
and carry it with you
when traveling this
summer!

If you are traveling & away from your Primary Care Manager (PCM), you are covered for emergencies & pre-authorized urgent care received from civilian providers.

Emergency Care (a threat to life, limb or sight)

- Go to the nearest emergency room
- Pre-authorization is not required
- Notify PCM within 24 hours or as soon as possible

Urgent Care (care needed that would not result in disability or death if not given emergently)

- If near a Military Treatment Facility (MTF), seek care there
- If not near an MTF, Contact PCM for prior authorization or after-hours provider
- After contacting the PCM, call TriWest for a list of network providers listed in that area
- If prior authorization is not obtained, you will be billed under the Point-of-Service option

Routine Care

- Its always best to seek routine care from your PCM
- No referral for routine care, means you will PAY

POINT OF SERVICE

If you choose to get non-emergent care without a referral from your PCM:

- Outpatient deductibles - \$300/individual and \$600/family
- 50% cost-shares
- Excess charges up to 15% over the TRICARE allowed amount
- Does not apply to CAT CAP

PCM:

Making Appointments

*Use TRICARE Online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

*To Call

M-F 0600-1600 & Sat: 0700-1100: 473-0247

Sat 1100-1600: 473-1880 Ext 2266 / 2219

Sun 0800-1600: 473-1880 Ext 2266 / 2219

Holidays: 473-1880 Ext 2266 / 2219

After-Hours Provider Advice Line 473-0247. Listen to the options to speak with an answering service who will then contact the after-hours provider. The provider will return your call within the hour. *After-hours providers do not have access to lab results and cannot make appointments.*

For additional information or clarification call:

TRIWEST: 1-888-874-9378

Health Benefits Advisor: 473-2444 Ext 509 or by visiting our website at:

www.nmclph.med.navy.mil.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS AREA MASTER
STATION, PACIFIC

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Happy Father's Day to all Dad's!!!

CURRENTLY DEPLOYED IAS

Last year NCTAMS PAC deployed 37 Sailors on an Individual Augmentee. This year over 50 are expected to be deployed. These men and women have volunteered to serve in Iraq, Afghanistan and Djibouti. They deserve our gratitude and our prayers. We appreciate all of their dedication and sacrifice, and wish them all Godspeed.

ET1 Torrey Willett

IT2 Brian Rockwell

IT1 Jerry Lawyer

ET2 Steven Sharrard

IT1 Brian Erb

IT2 Colby Roberts

IT3 Glen Gilmore

ET2 Louis Roulain

IT1 Chad Villnes

IT3 Donald Clayton

ET2 Christopher Kuznicki

ET2 Jamie Gallaway

ETC Paul Nienow

CW03 Jacqueline Clifton

IT3 Jeremy Erickson

IT2 Steve Song

IT1 Charles Smith

LT David Perry

OS2 Heather Meigs

ITC James Stockman

ET2 Timothy Carter

IT1 Michael Butler

IT2 Amber Beets

IT2 James Brown

IT2 Justin Taylor

IT2 David Hutto